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Key Committee Seats Cover Major Issues Facing 8th District

WASHINGTON, DC – U.S. Rep. Dave Reichert was today named to the newly formed Homeland Security Committee, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Science Committee.

"I am deeply gratified to be named by Speaker Hastert and the Steering Committee to these key committees," Reichert said as he wrapped up a very successful first week in Congress.

"We had hoped to be successful in achieving one or more of our top choices, but to receive all three assignments is very exciting."

"The Sheriff was very clear with us how important Homeland Security, transportation and technology sector issues are to his district," House Speaker Dennis Hastert said. "His more than 30 years in law enforcement will bring hands-on, practical knowledge of keeping our nation safe to the new Homeland Security Committee."

"I placed all three of these committees at the top of my list because they oversee issues that are vital to the 8th District," said Reichert.

"The Puget Sound region faces every type of Homeland Security issue – from ports to borders to cyber security. Additionally, no issue impacts the day to day lives of my constituents more than transportation – from both an economic and quality of life perspective. And serving on the Science Committee will allow me to work with the technology sector that relies so much upon research and development. We really hit a trifecta."

"These assignments are a boost for the region and also recognition by the House leadership that I am here to get things done. Now that we have been successful in achieving these placements, I look forward to rolling up my sleeves and getting to work for the people of the 8th District."